ARLD Call for 2022 Board Nominations

Interested in becoming more involved with the Academic and Research Libraries Division (ARLD)? Know someone who would be a good board member? Consider running for a position or nominating someone for the 2022 ARLD Board. We are a fun group that works with other professionals to serve the needs of Minnesota’s academic library community.

Open positions include:

- **Chair-Elect** (three-year term): serves one year as Vice-Chair and assumes the position of Chair the following year. The Vice-Chair coordinates ARLD’s participation in the Minnesota Library Association’s Annual Conference.
- **Legislative Liaison** (two-year term): represents ARLD on the Minnesota Library Association’s Legislative Committee. The Legislative Liaison is responsible for the dissemination of legislative information to the ARLD membership. The Legislative Liaison may also serve as the Chapter’s Legislative Coordinator for the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL)/Legislative Network.
- **Member-at-Large** (two-year term): serves as a full, voting member of the Executive Committee.

For a full description of these positions and more information, please see the [ARLD Bylaws](#).

Nominate yourself or others by July 30. Please contact [Amy Mars](#) with any questions.

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Children and YA Literature Accessibility Survey

Recent MLIS graduate Katie Retterath Martin is conducting a study about the accessibility of children’s and young adult books with diverse character identifiers in library catalogs and is looking for input from MN librarians.

To contribute to Katie’s study, please complete a [10-question survey](#) by August 13.

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**Instruction Round Table (IRT)’s Notes from the Field Discussion Group**

The IRT is pleased to present Notes from the Field, a 3-part discussion group to connect with colleagues around the state and discuss brief, common reads.

The first meeting is Thursday, August 26 from 11:00AM - 12:00PM; exact dates for subsequent meetings in November and December TBD.

Attend one, two, or all three discussions! Our common read for the first meeting is [Innovating Against a Brick Wall](#) by Veronica Arellano Douglas.

Register by Wednesday, August 25 for a
MLA Conference Silent Auction

The MLA Conference Planning Committee is pleased to announce that the Minnesota Library Foundation (MLF) Silent Auction is returning as part of the 2021 MLA Annual Conference! This 2021 auction will be ONLINE ONLY.

Please see the [Silent Auction page](https://www.mnlibraryassociation.org/admin/email/view.aspx?jobId=4560231) for more information, including the types of donations that can be accepted this year. Donation submissions must be received by [September 20](https://www.mnlibraryassociation.org/admin/email/view.aspx?jobId=4560231).

MLA Call for Board of Directors Nominations

Interested in developing leadership skills? Looking for a great professional development opportunity? Become more involved with MLA! MLA is accepting nominations for its Board of Directors positions.

[Nominate](https://www.mnlibraryassociation.org/admin/email/view.aspx?jobId=4560231) a colleague or yourself to one of the available board positions by [August 6](https://www.mnlibraryassociation.org/admin/email/view.aspx?jobId=4560231). For more information on the open positions, please visit the MLA Board of Directors [website](https://www.mnlibraryassociation.org/admin/email/view.aspx?jobId=4560231).

Save the Date: September 1st Legislative Forum

Save the date for the annual Legislative Forum on [Wednesday, September 1](https://www.mnlibraryassociation.org/admin/email/view.aspx?jobId=4560231)!

Come hear from Minnesota Library Partners on their organization’s current issues, proposed legislative priorities, and advocacy plan for 2022. Attendees will leave the Legislative Forum equipped to effectively advocate across library types.

This will be an online event; stay tuned for the link! Further details and registration are coming soon.

Welcome New Members!

Patricia Shaffer-Gottschalk
Kristin Gilpatrick
Rebecca Molloy
Alexandre Adrian

Thank You Renewing Members!

Sarah Hawken
Genny Mixen
Maggie Smee
Cynthia Hendricks
Maureen Bell
Kathleen James
Donova Lambert
Jennifer Ozione
Ann Walker Smalley
Brian Lind

Mollie Stankard
Herbert Lashkyn
Denoreth Rihm
Hannah Burdick
Jennifer McBurney
Amanda St John
Mel Lee
Meghan Kider Anderson
Katie Kane

MLA is strong because of you. Thank you for being a member.